

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 9, 16, 23 and 24 were rejected. Claims 2, 3, 5-8, 10-15 and 17-22 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Claim 25 was allowed.

All of the rejected claims have been canceled or made allowable by combination with claims indicated as containing allowable subject matter.


Accordingly, since all claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-25 are believed to be clearly allowable, a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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